

# CHAMPIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENT MONTHLY AWARD

**DO YOU HAVE A PROJECT THAT IMPROVES OR PROTECTS THE ENVIRONMENT?**

**WOULD YOU LIKE MONEY TO USE FOR YOUR PROJECT?**

**ARE YOU A K-12 STUDENT OR TEACHER OF K -12 STUDENTS IN SOUTH CAROLINA?**

If so, please apply to Champions of the Environment's Monthly Award Program. At the beginning of each month from August through April, applications are reviewed. As many as 10 winners are chosen during the award year.

## **Winners receive:**

- a \$500 cash award;
- a commercial about the project which airs on WIS-TV, Columbia;
- a listing on the Champions' Web site;
- T-shirts; and
- a chance to win more money in the Overall Awards.

**WIS-TV, International Paper, Eastman Chemical Company** and the **S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control** sponsor the Champions program. The Partners meet monthly to select the winners.

Since it's beginning in 1993, Champions of the Environment has awarded over \$100,000. This money has gone to students and teachers across the state for their environmental projects.

For more information, call the Champions' Coordinator at **(803) 898-4394** or visit **[www.scdhec.gov/champions](http://www.scdhec.gov/champions)**.



# AWARD DETAILS

## To apply:

- Complete the application on this brochure or visit [www.scdhec.gov/champions](http://www.scdhec.gov/champions) to download an application.
- Tell us about your project in two pages or less. You **MUST** include:
  1. an introductory paragraph;
  2. a description of how you will use the money; and
  3. answers to the following questions.
    - a. What environmental issue does your project address?
    - b. How will the project be carried out? (Who does what?)
    - c. What are the project's benefits to the environment (land, air or water quality)?
    - d. What are the benefits to the students and /or the community?
    - e. How will you publicize and share the results of your project with others?
- Mail all materials to the address on the application. You may include pictures or other materials to support your application.

## Winning projects:

- involve K-12 students;
- deal with an environmental issue;
- involve or inform the public; and
- make a lasting difference to the environment.

## Projects are judged on:

- creativity;
- student involvement;
- benefits to the environment;
- community involvement/education;
- suitable use for funds; and
- potential for long-term benefits.

## Winners agree to:

- use the award as stated in the application;
- submit a write-up of the project to be considered for the Overall Awards; and
- attend events including but not limited to the Champions' Kickoff, Annual Awards Ceremony, special interviews, etc.

**Champions of the Environment is sponsored by:**



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# CHAMPIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENT MONTHLY AWARD APPLICATION

**PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

- ☐ I am a TEACHER of K-12 students in South Carolina.
- ☐ I am a STUDENT in grades K-12 in South Carolina.
- ☐ I EDUCATE K-12 students in South Carolina outside of a school setting.

**PROJECT TITLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

This is – ☐ a new project – ☐ an existing project – ☐ a project that has been completed.

Number of Staff Involved: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Students Involved: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please attach names and contact information for others involved with this project.)*

School District: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Work Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Champions? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you seen a Champions commercial on television? \_\_\_\_\_

**IF OUR PROJECT IS CHOSEN TO RECEIVE A CHAMPIONS' AWARD**, we agree to use the funds toward the project represented in this application.

Signature of Project Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
or Student Applicant:

Signature of Principal or School Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(TEACHER APPLICANTS ONLY)

**Mail to:** Champions of the Environment ■ 2600 Bull Street ■ Columbia, SC 29201  
***This application must be received by the end of the month – July through March.***  
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